AN INVITATION!

THE PRESIDENT AND HIS WIFE TO ATTEND A BANQUET.

She Addresses Exchange and Speaks to the Point -- Theodore Thornton Plants three Bullets in the Body of His Brother-inlaw, John Orton.

Washington, April, 1 .- A large number of prominent citizens of Chicago have set an invitation to the President and Mrs. Cleveland to be present at a reception in their honor expressing a sense of appreciation of the president's course in "favor of the preservation of a sound national currency."

The invitation has been presented to President Cleveland by a committee appointed for that purpose and is signed by the following: Michael Cudahy, president of the Cudahy Packing com pany; John J. Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank; William H. Rand of Rand McNally & Co.; John J. P. O'Dell, president of the American Bank association and president of the Union National bank; A. O Slaughter, O. T. Fuller of Fuller and Fuller; C. M. Henderson of C. M. Henderson & Co.; Charles L. Hutchinson president of the Corn Exchange bank Henry Botsford, Martin A. Ryerson of Martin, Ryerson & Co.; Byron L . Smith, president of the Northern Trust company; A. T. Ewing, ex-president of the Iropuois club; Spoor Mackey, Otls S. Favor, H. S. Heath of Heath & Sons; Bensigner, president of the Brunswick-Balke Collender company; Owen F. Aldis, Francis B. Peabody of Peabody, oughteling & Co.; Stephen W. Rawson, president of the Union Trust company; George Schnelder, president of the National bank of Illinois;

George A. Fuller of George Fuller & Co.; Washington Heising, proprietor of the Illinois Staats Zeitung; Peter Van Schaack of P. Van Schaack & Sons; David Kelley of Kelley, Kaus & Co.; Robert A. Waller vice-president of the World's Columbiam Exposition; Char-les Deering of William Deering & Co.; J. J. Glesser of Warden, Bushnell & Glessner; John R. Walsh, president of the Chicago National bank and pres-dent of the Equitable Trust campany; John A. Roche, ex-mayor of Chicago; Marvin Hughitt, president of the Chi-cago and Northwest Railway company; John P. Hopkins of Chicago; Hemp-stead Washburn, ex-mayor of Chicago; Cornelius Price of C. M. Price; Horatio N. May, ex-city camptroller, and of the firm of Corbin. May & Co.; Charles H. Wacker, president of the Whacker and Birk Brewing company; E. J. Warner of Sprague, Warner and Co.; John P. of Sprague, Warner and Co.; John P. Wilson, ex-president of the Union League club; F. W. Peck, vice-president of the World's Columbiam Exposition; Rudolph Brand of the M. Brand Brewing company; Jay C. Morse, president of the Illinois Steel company; Daniel H. Burnham, director of works and supervising architect of the World's Columbian Exposition. bian Exposition; William H. Vincent, president of the Waubansee club; Melpresident of the Waubansee club; Mel-villa E. Stone, president of the Globe National bank; John B. Kirk of James S. Kirk & Co.; Henry W. Blodgett, counsel for the United States in the Bering sea arbitration; John H. Ham-line, president of the Union League club, and Henry S. Robbins of Green, Robbins & Honore.

COVERED WITH GOLD. The invitation is beautifully engrossed on fine cardboard paper, the several pages of which, containing the invitation and figures, are bound in book form, the lining of which is in white satin, the exterior being in blue crushed levant, beautifully ornament-

of with tooling in gold.

As spokesman for the delegation
Mr. Roberts described their reception

"We were received very pleasantly and explained to the president the non-partisan character of the invitation. We also told him that the business men of Chicago heartily approved of the movement; that while it was in-tended as a personal complement to him, it had a still further object in complment to view—the development of an aggressive sound money sentiment throughout the west. The president said that he pesronally appreciated fully the endorsement expressed by the invitation and realized the importance of the movement in favor of sound money, which he approved, and that he would take the matter under consideration and would communicate with us by letter—that if he could not consider the invitation favorably it would be because of personal and official reasons which he could not see his way to which he could not see his way

SUPREME COURT DECISION. The United States court finished reading the decisions for the day and did not decide the income tax.

Judge Gray rendered the decision of the court in the case of supervisors of the firm of Ralli Bros., vs. Howard D. Troop and others, a case in admiralty from the circuit court for the southern district of New York, involving the question whether the destruction of property on a vessel by municipal authorities in case of fire interferes with the collection of damages under the law of general average. In the present case the bark J. V. Parker was another. case the bark J. V. Parker was anchored in the port of Calcutta when fire broke out in the vessel in the absence of the master. The municipal authori-ties took charge of the fire and scuttled the vessel in the face of the protests of the master who raised the application of ware water after he arrived on the scene. Justice Gray said in effect that the master of a vessel was, under the maritime law, the judge of what was to be done in such emergency and that when the municipal authorities interfere they, by this action, make the sac-rifice of property compulsory and not voluntary and thereby the case is removed from the domain of the mari-time law and from the operation of the law of general average. The decree of the court below was reversed and the claim for general average disailowed. Justlees Brown and Harlan dissented. Owing to the delay in the branch rinting office of the treasury the usu 1

Board of Public Works Organized. Topeka, Kan., April L.—The board of public works was organized this after-noon by the election of John Scaton as president, Sol Miller secretary and M. Heery treasurer.

monthly debt statement was not issued

Presidential Postmasters Appointed. Wasington, April .1-The president to-day appointed nineteen postmasters in cities where the offices became preside tial. All appointees bave been holding under fourth class appointments. Among them are: Missouri, W. D. Crow, Cralence; Oklahoma, W. H. Paydon, Elackwell; Mary J. Jacobs, Pawdon, Elackwell; Mary J. Lackwell; Mary J. Lackwe

Lawrence Kan., April 1.—The good citizenship league in this city has bejun a grusade against the exhibition in widows and on boards of obscene show bills. At a meeting held Saturday night the league made arrangements to begin a campaign against improper pictures as soon as the new offic-

BEGAN IN A JOKE. Fatal Shooting Aff sy Occurs in a Rotel is Watonga

Hennessey, O. T., April 1 .- (Special) A report was received here today of a shooting affair at Watonga, the county seat of Blaine county, last Fri-lay. The affair is said to have arisen day. The affair is said to have arisen over a blanket between A. R. Evans of O'Keene and Dr. Babb of Homestead. The two men went to Watonga and put up at a hotel. Babb, in a joking way, commenced to pull the blankets off of Evans when Evans became enraged, it is said, and drew a revolver and shot Babb, the ball striking below the nose and coming out ing below the nose and coming out about the ear. Babb is not expected to

Sheriff Wilson and some of his depu-Sheriff Wilson and some of his deputies proceeded to arrest Evans, when he started to gent away. Sheriff Wilson then fired two shots at him, one grazing his side the other his creek. He was finally overpowered and taken

Excitement is running high and there is talk of lynching. The sheriff has placed about a dozen deputies at

the jail to guard the prisoner.

He has been placed under \$1,700 bonds to await the action of the grand jury. Evans killed a man in Hennessey by the name of Kingston about four years He was cleared on the plea of self

MRS. BOOTH IN ST. LOUIS.

She Addresses the Merchants Exchange and Speaks to the Point.

St. Louis, April 1.-At the closing cour today President Booth called the Merchants Exchange to order and re-quested Mr. Murray Carlton to intro-duce Mrs. Ballington Booth of the Sal-

Mrs. Booth said this was the first time she had the honor of addressing such an audience, and se fully realized the necessity of speaking to he point and briefly. She referred to the former contempt in which the Salvation Army was held and the way in which its sol-diers were avoided in the highways, and of the change which had come over the people. Now, instead of a feeling of re-pugnance, the churches and the people

were lending their aid in every way.
"The Salvation Army," she said, "Is not organized for the purpose of taking away from the church its members, but to bring them more members by re-deeming from sin and darkness those found in the highways and byways-the poor, the needy and the fallen.

Mrs. Booth's remarks were listened to attentively and at the close the ap-plause was long and loud.

Crop Reports for April. Crop Reports for April.

Chicago, April 1.—The April crop report of the Orange Judd Farmer makes the condition of wheat 35.3, or two points lower than was reported last year immediately after the severe March freeze. The plant is but little further advanced than it was in December. A considerable portion of the accesses sown will prohabily be listed. acreage sown will probably be listed into corn. The condition on the Pa-cific coast is very high and if maintained will make a record for the year in matter of yield. The rains of the last two days may in some measure store the plant to vigor which seems to

The Prairie Farmer's report for April makes the condition of winter wheat 85.8 against 88.9 last month and 86.7 as estimated in official reports. Winter rye is 87.1 against 94.4 last April. Con-dition of swine is 91.7 against 97.1 last year. The number of brood sows as compared with a year ago is reduced

CHARTER FOR A NEW BOAD.

Muskogee, Oklahoma and Western, From Muskogee to Enid.

Muskagee to Enid.

Guthrie, Ot. T., April 1.—A charter was teday issued to the Muskagee, Oklahoma and Western railway; capital steek 41,690,600, officers, G. W. Sutton, president; Colonel J. L. Morphis, first vice president; J. W. Jordan, second vice president; Judge E. W. Morphis, secretary; W. H. Herbert, treasurer, and Judge A. H. Bollee, general attorney. The toad is to run from Muskagee to Enid, Oklahoma, a distance of 200 miles, passing through Cleveland, Pawnee and Perry, O. T.

KILLED HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW.

Theodore Thoraton Plants Three Bullets in the Body of John Orton.

Topeka, Kan., April 1.—A special dis-atch from Coffeyville says Theodore J. Thornton, a man who is supposed to know more of various bandit groups than becomes a good citizen, rode into Bartlesville, I. T., yesterday afternoon and shot his brother-in-law, John Orton returned the fire without effect. He died in one minute. United States marshals are pursuing the outlaw. He will probably be lynched.

Cavanaugh Knocks Thomas Out.
Galveston, Tex., April 1.—Thomas Cavaraugh of Buffalo, and Mike Thomas,
light weight champion of Louisiana,
fought the stiffest iffteen round so in this
city ever witnessed in Texas, the result
of which was in doubt until the end of
the fourteenth round when Thomas
showed signs of grogginess and was completely knocked out in the succeeding
round. Thomas was the aggressor in the
first three rounds, but after that his wind
seemed to fall him. Cavanaugh Knocks Thomas Out.

What a Blessing

It is to have strong nerves, and how many are denied it. They to whom nature has been niggard in this re-spect can enjoy nerve vigor and quiet-ude if they use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, one of the finest nervines and tonics in existence. Dyspepsia, a pro-lific source of nerve inquietude, is invariably overcome by this genial medi-cine, which is also potent as a remedy for malarial and kidney trouble and consumption.

New Orleans Races. New Orleans, April 1.-Track heavy,

ummaries; First race—Seven furlongs; Readina 4 to 1, won; B. F. Fly, Jo., 4 to 5 seco Fidget, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:30%. Second—Four furlongs: Inspec Hunt, 9 to 5, won; Spinola, 8 to 5, second; Brydee S., 6 to 1, third. Time, :51.

Third—Seven furlongs: Lyndhurst, 8 to 1, won; I. C. W., 3 to 1, second; Zeke Hardy, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:32. Fourth—Seven furlongs:Case, 7 to 10, won; Marcel, 7 to 2, second; Blue and White, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:31. Fifth—Seven furlongs: Ether, 8 to 1, won; Charlie B, 3 to 1, second; Cooper, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:301/2.

Died Under Surgical Treatment. Kansas City, April 1,-Miss Lydia Perkins, recently from Hutchinson, died here Sunday morning after an operation for tumor.

Little Rock, Ark., April 1.—The McCoyNeedham contest did not take place tonight as advertised, Governor Clark havirg refused to allow the contest. He
threatened to arrest all participants,
sepctators and all, if the go was attempted. In Arkansas it is unlawful to engage in any prize-fight, either with or
without gloves. Needham and McCoy
have agreed to meet before the Pastime
Athletic club of Memphis on April 10.

Went Off by Themselves.

Houston, Tex., April 1.—Biddy Rishon

Houston, Tex., April 1.-Biddy Bishop of Houston, and Ed Woods of Denver, fought seven bloody rounds in Riverside, near Trinity, for \$500 a side. The fight had been scheduled to take place at Trinity but was stopped by the sheriff. The men, accompanied by referees and seconds, left the county and fought in private. Woods was knocked out in the seventh round.

LAUREATE WINS IT!

TAKES THE ARKANSAS DERBY FROM EIGHT OTHERS.

Kine Starters, and a Fine Start in the Sec ond Attempt -- Clayton Gets a Grand Final Burst from His Mount and Laurente Has the Bace.

Litle Rock, Ark., April 1.-Three thousand peolpe saw the fourth Arkansas derby won today by the Pastime stable's chestnut gelding, Laureate. The day was bright and warm and the track while not fast, was good. Ninne starters faced the flag for the derby. At the second atttempt they got off in a perfect line and raced in a bunch to the first quarter. In making the turn Bob Clampett was caught in a pocket and had to go around the bunch in straightening out. Lobengula led by a length with Glad, Pepper, Laureate and IE Captian well up, and the others in a bunch till the last turn, where Lobengula increased his lead to two lengths. In the last turn Clampett came out of the rear bunch and challenged the leader, but Knapp, Berger, Graham, Weber and Noble went to their whips. A hundred yards from the wire, Lonnie Clayton, on the favorite, called on his mount, who responded with a great burst of speed and drew out winning handily by an open length. Lobengula and Bob Clampett made a desperate fight for the place, the Morris colt get-ting the decision by a scant half length. Clampettt ran a great race and but for his disadvantage at the quarter turn might have won the race. The victory was a popular one and the crowd went wild with enthusiasm for both horse

The first race, a five furlong dash for l-year-olds and upwards, went to the odds-on favorite, Potentate, who, howodds-on favorite, Potentate, who, how-ever, had a bruising with Philomena, the recond choice. Sallie Clipuot, the Salvator filly won the second in easy style. The only surprise of the day was the victory of Sir Play over the odds-on favorite, Saricenesca, who could do no better than show. George F. Smith, at 1 to 2, and Out won the last race, with Maggie Gray a close sec-ond. Six books drew in and did a fair-ly good business, but quit losers on the ly good business, but quit losers on the day, as the talent picked four win-ners and one second choice. Summarles:

maries:
First race—Five furlongs, purse: Potentate, 112 (A Clayton), 1 to 2, won: Philopena, 104 (C. Weber), 2 to 1, second Jossoot, 98 (Matthews), 25 to 1, third Time 1:02%. Garra, Brown Dick, Imp Sir Frederick Roberts, Barney Aaron, Jr., Barcelona and J. A. Gray also

Second—Two year old fillies, four fur-longs: Sallie Cliquot, 110 (Knapp), 7 to 10, won; Lady Inez, 110 (Forn), 6 to 1 second; Ninnita, 110 (Donohue), 10 to 1 third. Time :52. Bella Hill, Leta Dell and Mrs. Sandblonda also ran.

Third—The Arkansas dery; \$2,00 guar anteed, one mile, for three year olds: Laureate, 112 (A. Clayton), 2 to 1, won: Lobengula, 110, (Knapp), coupled with Moderoclero, 2 to 1, second; Bob Clampett, 115 (R. Jones), 20 to 1, third. Tim 1:44%. Shield Bearer, Glad. G. B. Morris, Moderoclero, El Capitan and Pepper also ran

Fourth-Purse, two year old colts and goldings, four furlongs: Sir Play, 110 (Knapp), 2 to 1, won; Fred Barr, 112 (A. Clayton), 5 to 1, second; Saricenesca 113 (G. Weber), 1 to 2, third. Time :5014. Concession, Fassig and Yamataga also ran.

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Fifth—Six furlongs: George F, Smith.
110 (Chorn), 1 to 2, won; Maggie Gray,
110 (A. Clayton), 3 to 1, second; Frans
Gayle, 102 (Seguin), 3 to 1, third. Tims
1:174. Josephine, Ada May, Caracas,
Powhatan and Wild Arab tiso ran.

Exempt No Church Property. Manitoba is raising the home rule question and, when it is a matter of re-

igious liberty, there can be no doubt but that Manitoba is endorsed by the world for demanding her right to worship as she pleases and to have free, schools, unrestricted by any religion whatever. There is a vast difference whatever. There is a vast difference between States' Rights and home rule and there are few people who would think favorably of submitting to a gov-ernment which sought to dictate the manner of religion which is to be taught in the schools or to force upon a community, against the majority will, the parochial school system. There is never any objection to the Catholics have ing their own educational institutions but the public should not be asked to contribute to the maintenance of such schools, which is the effect of a exempting church property from taxation. If a sectarian school property is not taxed, the people are compelled to pay for the support of it, which is unjust. And it is to be noted that the Catholics are not by any means the only denomination which derives beneath from this examption of invaluation is fit from this exemption of taxation law. Nearly every church in the country has educational institutions and the public supports them against its will. The rebuke administered by the people of Manitoba is only a forerunner of a universal uprising against such imposi-tion which is sure to come in the very near future unless re edial laws are passed and all such unw thy measures obliterated from our statute books. There is one point on which nine-tenths of the people are most sensitive, and that is religion, and there is no excuse for a law, which is sure to do nothing but agitate the vital question of religlous liberty and cause III feeling.

NOT NEEDED ANY MORE.

Manager of California Traffic Association Resigns the Position.

San Francisco, April 1.-J. S. Leeds, traffic manager of the Traffic association of California, has tendered his res-ignation and at a special meeting of the board of directors this morning the resignation was accepted. In a long letter to the association, Mr. Leeds stat ed that he believes the shipping intersts of California no longer have any need of his services, inasmuch as the Transcontinental association has been broken up, the Pacific Mail monopoly broken and competitors in freights to broken and competitors in freights to and from interior state points assured through the building of the San Joa-quin Valley road. Mr. Leeds had re-turned to his home near Cincinnati, Before he came to California, three years ago, Mr. Leeds was identified with eastern transportation interests, notably the Santa Fe and the Gould system of roads. Hehad also filled the system of roads. Hehad also filled the position of chairman of the Transcontinental association.

IRON MILLS BUNNING AGAIN.

Manufacturers and Ironworkers Agree at the Youngstown Conference Cleveland, O., April 1.—David Arm-itrong, who has been in Youngstown, as a member of the conference committee of the Amalgamated Associa-tion of Iron and Steel workers, to meet the Iron manufacturers association, returned to this city today. He said the agreement reached regarding the scale of wages for iron workers was entirely satisfactory to both sides and with that agreement all the mills in the west would start today. All the mills are again running in Youngstown after a long period of idleness. "All concern-ed are satisfied and everyone is hap-py," said Mr. Armstrong. LATE NEWS BY WILE.

items of General Interest From All Over the Universe. Baltimore, Md., April 1.—Jake Kilrain began training today for his 25-round fight with Steve O'Donnell before the Seaside Athletic club at Coucy Island,

Seaside Athletic club at Coney Island, May 6.

Stevens Point, Wis., April 1.—The Com-mercial bank closed its doors today. The liabilities are about \$80,000; assets, \$100,000. Edmond Burr, the president of the bank, is one of the owners of D. B., the famous tratting horse. trotting horse,

Yekohoma, April 1.—Count Ite's of-ficial report of the capture of Pescador Islands says that Makuig castle was taken after two engagements had been fought. The Chinese lost five killed and sixty prisoners. The Japanese lost one killed and sixty prisoners. prisoners. The Japanese lost one killed and sixteen wounded.

Helena, Mont., April 1.—At the city election, Dr. W. M. Steele (Dem.) was elected mayor. The vote stood: Steele (Dem.) 1.181; Lockey (Rep.) 1.082; Reed (Pop.) 740. The Republicans elected the police magistrate, city treasure and five out seven aldermen, the Democrats and Populists electing one alderman each.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 1.—Lieutenant Governor O'Meara was in conference this morning with Governor Stone, but whether in regard to the probable calling of an extra session could not be learned. The governor has not yet prepared ha call, but it is almost certain that it will be issued tonight or tomorrow.

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Kansas City, Mo., April 1.—Charles S. Owsley, ex-recorder of votors, and his former chief deputy, Harry G. Bristow, gave bond in the sum of \$1,500 each before Judgs Wofford of the criminal court today to answer to the charges of permiting the registration of fictitious names. They were indicted by the grand jury ast week.

Evansville, Ind., April 1.—The Democrats met with an overwholming defeat today by the Republicans. The latter elected Mayor Anthony C. Hakins, four council-at-large and four out of seven councilmen from the wards of the city. The contest was the most spirited ever witnessed in the city. Hawkins will have over 500 votes to spare.

Mexico, Mo., April 1.—A telegram from San Francisco reports that he parents of the men who held up the Oregon express, which hold-up resulted in the death of Sheriff Bogard, and one of the robbers, lived in this city and that the outlaws were known there as the McGuires. Investigation shows that no such families ever lived in this place.

Denver, Colo., April 1.—A special to the News from Trinidad, Colo., says: By an accident in the Broadhead Bros., mine at Aguilar, three men wroking in the east drift were crushed under timbers and a mass of coal which fell on them. Two were instantly killed. They are Robert Thomassen and Hugelo Noce, David Davis, the oldest man in the mine, a badly injured but may live.

Cleveland O., April 1.—Returns from more than half the city indicate the election of Robert R. McKisson (Ren.) for mayor by about 2,000 plurality. The remainder of the Republican tieket is successful by large pluralities. The woman candidate for school conjuncil on the Republican tieket runs behind the three male candidates. The vote was very light. The result is not materially different from what it was one year ago.

St. Louis, April 1.—The council of the Baptist churches met yesterday and announced the result of infindings in the sase of Rev. C. C. M. A

ON A TWELVE CENT BASIS.

Grand Trunk Confesses and All Lines Make That Grain Rate East From Chicago.

Chicago, April 1.—All grain rates from Chicago to the Atlantic seaboard were figured today on the basis of 12 cents. The Grand Trunk, which made cents. The Grand Trunk, which made that rate first of all, was reported during the day as having given notice of an advance within ten days later it was announced that the Michigan Central would also make a 12 cent rate. The general opinion is that rates will so still lower when navigation opens but the roads cannot make train expenses if the tariff is put much under penses if the tariff is put much under the present figures. None of the roads with the exception of the Grand Trunk have admitted the making of the 12 cent rate but all are doing it. East bound shipments last week amounted to 60,533 tons against 57,123 for the pre-ceeding week, and 95,188 for the coresponding week of last year.

Stockholders of the Chienge and Al-ton company held their annual meet-ing today and elected the following di-rectors to serve three years: E. D. Blackstone, John B. Drake, Morris K.

lesup.

Meeting of auxiliary lines were held Meeting of auxiliary lines were held and directors elected as follows: Joliet and Chicago—T. R. Blackstone, J. B. Drake, C. H. Foster, J. C. McMullin, Norman William. Mississippi River Bridge company—J. J. Mitchell, T. B. Blackstone, B. D. Drake, A. A. Sprague C. H. Chappell, St. Louis, Jacksonville and Chicago—T. E. Blackstone, J. J. Mitchell, C. H. Chappell, J. C. Mo-Mullin. Alton and St. Louis—T. B. Blackstone, J. J. Mitchell, E. N. Gibbs. No quorum of the board of directors Blackstone, J. J. Mitchell, E. N. Gibbs.
No quorum of the board of directors
of the Chicago and Alton was present
so the officers for the ensuing year were
noe elected. It is not expected, however, that there will be any changes.
For the month of February, the net
earnings of the Atchison, all lines, were
\$556.271, an increase of \$58,713 over the
same month of last year. For the signit same month of last year. For the eight months of the fiscal year, from July 1, 1894, to February 28, 1895, the net caraings were \$7,262,619, a decrease of \$1,-965,923 from the corresponding period of the year before. The net carnings of the St. Louis and San Francisco for February were \$139,381, a decrease of \$3,567; for the past eight months the net earnings were \$1,524,593, an increase

The net earnings of the Atlantic and Pacific for February were \$180,391, an increase of \$51,565, the deficit for February of last year being \$33,183; for the past eight months the net earnings were \$321,776, an increase of \$301,273. The net earnings of the Colorado Mid land for February were \$29,427, an increase of \$13,355; for the past eight months the net earnings were \$179,381, an increase of \$61,350.

The net earnings of the Atchison system, excluding lines reported above were for February \$405,092, an increase of \$32,355; for the eight months \$4,936,-859, a decrease of \$2,452,299.

MOONSHINERS RUN TO EARTH.

Iwo are Killed in a Fight With Deputy Marshals in Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., April 1.—Deputy United States Marshal Johnson and a posse of six men have bad a fight with a gang of moonhiners in the mountains of Hempstead county. After the smoke cleared away, the posse found the bod-les of two of the outlaws, captured a third alive, and took possession of a plant capable of making twenty gallons of whisky a day. Hill, of Bellamy, one of the posse, received serious wounds. Four moonshiners escaped.

St. Louis Races. St. Louis, April 1.-East St. Louis re-

First race-Nine-sixteenths of a mile: Synosure, won; Shenandoah Boy, sec-

Synosure, won; Shenandoah Boy, second; Little Nell, third. No time taken. Second—Five-eights of a mile: Hepublic won; Christine D, second; Florella, third. Time 1:201/4.

Third—Three-quarters of a mile: Cyantha won; Buck Knight, second; Say When, third. Time 1:201/4.

Fourth—One mile: Bayard, won; Highwayman, second; Golden Crown, third. Time 1:511/4.

FifthThree-quarters of a mile selling: Russell Grey, won; Montell, second; Miss Mayma, third. Time 1:28.

MUCH CONCERNED!

THE SECRETARY OF STATE OVER THE VENEZULAN PROBLEM.

Deadly German Rifle which uses Nitre Glycerine in a Three-Ply Tube -- Utah Convention Still Wrangling Over the Woman Suffrage Clause.

Washington, April 1.-The secretary of state is very much concerned these days by the Venezulan problem. The British ultimatum to Nicaragua is not source of political apprehension, it is not now believed that the British will take actio.: In the way of acquiring territory in that direction or to Jeopardize the property of Americans in Nicaragua by bombardment in their efforts to collect the indemnity demanded from Nicaragua. These are the two moves that might cause the United States to interfere. But in the case of the Venezuelan boundary dispute there is much grayer cause for any is not now believed that the British case of the Venezuelan boundary dispute there is much graver cause for apprehension. It appears that our ambassador, Mr. Bayard, has not succeeded in inducing the British government to give heed to the request submitted by him at the direction of congress that the boundary dispute be submitted to arbitration. The British are profuse in their declaration of a willingness to arbitrate the title to the land west of the Schoomberg line, but, in the view of the state department this is a pure evasion of the real issue, for there never has been any reasonafor there never has been any reasonable assertion of a British right to this territory and it is territory lying east of this line that forms the substance of the contention. The present situation is believed to be alarming as armed bedies of British and Venezuelons. ed bodies of British and Venezuelans are pressing each other closely in the disputed territory and there may be a hostile clash at any moment.
The administration has been consid-

erably exercised over the course to be bursued in such cases and it is entirely probable that if the British insist in bringing about such a collision, notwithstanding the repeated warnings and requests of the United States to submit the matter to exhibit the submit the matter to arbitration, then the United States will feel obliged to follow the moral aid it has given to Venezuela in this matter by more substantial assistance.

HOLDS UP TWO MILES.

Deadly German Rifle Which Uses Nitro-Glyceriae in a Three-Ply Tube.

Baltimore, Md., April 1.—Captain Morslager of the steamship La Campine, now in port, visited Fort McHenry today and exhibited to the soldlers a new German rifle with which he did remarkable shooting. The rifle is one of the first made for the German government from a brand new model of Mouser, the great German firearm inventor. In appearance it is some inventor. In appearance it is something like the Krag-Jorgensen military rifle, now being adopted by the United States army, but for shooting it eclipsed anything yet made. It is of 32 calibre and the barrel is made of three tubes, one inside the other, on the same plan as the Krupp gun. The inner tube is rifled and of hard tempers. inner tube is rifled and of hard temper-ed steel. The powder used is a smoke-less, nitroglycerine explosive, which

makes little report and no smoke.

Fired along at the height of the shoulder, the bullet will go nearly two miles before its force is spent and at 2,000 yards it would pleace the bodies of seven men, placed one behind the other. other.

LONG TIME BETWEEN VOTES. Utah Convention Still Wrangling Over the

Woman Suffrage Clause. Salt Lake, April 1.—The constitu-tional convention spent the day in de-bate on the woman suffrage question. One member declared that the woman suffrage plank was put in the Repub-lican platform in the last election to catch votes and that the Democratic convention sought to cuthid them. convention sought to outbid them.

In the discussion that followed, as to who wrote the Republican platform and why the plank was inser erts, Democrat, said the suffrage plank was put in to catch Mormon votes, the most of whom it was believed favored the measure. President Smith be-lieved the time had come for woman suffrage and said he would vote ac-cordingly. A motion to close the de-bate at 3:30 was lost.

The convention adjourned with a substitute for separate submission of the suffrage section. Debate on the substitute closes tomorrow and a vote is expected in the afternoon. An advance convass practically assures the defeat of the substitute and the adoption of woman suffrage as part of the constitution by a good majority.

CLOSE SHAVE FOR ELECTION. Judiciary Invoked to Secure Municipal Preparation in Perry.

Perry, O. T., April L.-There is great excitement here over the city election to be held tomorrow and it looks as if blood will be shed. The present Republican city officers contend that no election is to be held at this time and up to this time no tickets have been

Judge Bierer has removed George W. Purcell, late of Chicago, who was elected city clerk on the Republican ticket a year ago, and ordered the council to appoint a new clerk to prepare the bailots and perform other duties. The council was about to re-fuse to obey the order, but later ap-pointed a cierk after being convinced that all might be jailed for contempt. The Democrats and Populists have fused and the Republicans have nomi-nated an independent ticket but the present officers who were left off the independent ticket and who have con-siderable of a following are determin-ed that no election shall be held.

WANTS AN AB OLUTE DIVORCE.

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New York, April I.—Justice Andrews of the suprem court today tried the action for absolute divorce brought by Henry Zinsler, the potrait painter, against his wife, Maria Teresa Zinsler. A. Montero, who is embassador to the republic of Bolivia from the Argentine Republic, was named as co-respondent. The plaintiff testified that he was married to the defendant in Rome in 1878. In 1890 he took up his residence in New York, having left his wife on account of her partiality for Montero, who was then in Rome. In 1891, the defendant left Italy and went with Ambassador Montero to I.a Paz in Bolivia, where she has since lived with him as his wife.

A decree of the civil court of Rome, dated in 1893, granting Mr. Zinsler a separation from his wife on the ground of undue intimacy with Ambassador Montero, was put in evidence. There was no appearance for Mrs. Zinsler. Decision was reserved.

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Work Begins on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas General Offices.

Parsons, Kan., April 1.—This city is

fairly alive with excitement and enthusisam today. Work was commenced on the Missorul, Kansas and Texas on the Missorul, Kansas and Texas new general offices building and depot amidst he firing of cannon and blowing of whistles. These demonstrations were held on the site of the proposed structure and were participated in by thousands of people. The erection of this building forever sattles the disputes as to the location of the general offices in Kensas and ends all litigation with the states as regards the railway company living up to its Kansas charter.

GRAIN MEN WANT PROPAIS. Members of a Defunct Elevator Company

Claim a Huge Swindle.

St. Louis, April 1.—The morning pa-pers state that at a meeting held rest. Louis, April 1.— The morning mapers state that at a meeting held recently, #? which were present some of the best known grain merchants of St. Louis, who were formerly associated together under the commercial title of the Merchants' Elevator company, which went out of business in 1890 to be succeeded by the St. Louis United Elevator company, measures were enacted which promise to unfold to the public gaze one of the profoundest business sensations ever known in St. Louis. The preceding papers say that the St. Louis United Elevator company was fouded in 1886 by Captain D. B. Slattery who had associated with him J. M. Thompson, F. L. Thompson, I. M. Harris, D. Block, R. H. Kern, W. T. Anderson, Judge H. D. Lauglin and others, Captain Slattery was president and manager of the company all the time it was in business, he having the time it was in business, he having a majority of the stock. At the time it was sold to the trust, Captain Slattery and members of his family held 1,477 of the 1,750 shares in existence. Only a partial settlement was made with the stockholders at the time the company sold out to the trust and it is said that all subsequent efforts to effect a settlement of the affairs of the concern have been futile until the late consultation resulted in the appointment of a committee to bring about a settlement. The committee was instructed to place the matter in the courts for adjudication.

W. T. Anderson, one of those interested says: "The strangest feature is that we can't account for about \$35,000 or \$40,000 worth of wheat that was in

or \$40,000 worth of wheat that was in the elevator. Slattery was president and in full control. I can't see how it got away without some one knowing it. We had \$100,000 worth of bonds on the elevator which we never ordered him to sell, but they are not accounted for. They were issued to borrow money on wheat, that being an easy way to raise collateral. He seems to have taken them up himself after sellhave taken them up himself after selling the wheat that he paid the money
for and took the bonds. The bank accounts will show whether he did or
not. He ran the bulk of the business
but he had no right to sell the bonds
without orders from the board of directors. We got back what we invested, but we want the profits."

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Another prominent member of the Another prominent member of the board of directors who did not wish to have his name mentioned, fully cor-roborated Anderson. Slattery denies all these allegations and says he can prove that investors have been paid

back their money with interest. BAD DAY FOR OUTLAWS.

Deputy Marshals Return From a Fauitless Search for Escaped Prisone

Woodward, O. T., April 1.—(Special)
—All the deputy marshals who were
out in search of the escaped desperadoes have returned empty handed, af-ter having scoured the country for miles around. It is thought the men after escaping went to their old stamp-ing grounds in Beaver county, where it will be next to impossible to catch

Colonel Jack Garvey of this city colonel Jack Carvey of this city made a sneak on all his friends yesterday and repaired to Beaver City and took unto himself a charming helpmate in the person of one of that county's fair daughters. This was a complete surprise to the colonel's friends in western Oklahoma. complete surprise to the c friends in western Oklahoma,

The general land office has reversed the decision of the local land office here on the quarter section adjoining this town on the east, which gave it to Morgan. The decision of the land com-missioners gives it to townsiters. There will be another paper started in this city shortly, Republican in

politics.

WRECKED BY AN EXPLOSION. Tannery Converted Into a Mass of Ruins and Five Men Killed.

Woodburn, Mass., April 1.—Just be-fore 7 o'clock this morning one of the bollers in the Conn Tannery at this place exploded with terrific force, kill-ing five men and injuring six others. The dead are

ALLEN CLEMENT, foreman, PATRICK LALLY, fireman, THOMAS PATTERSON, night fore-

SAM TRACEY. There had been trouble with the boller for some time and early this morning John Parker, foreman of the plant, was called to the boller room to see if it could be fixed. It was soon found that the water supply could not be properly adjusted, but this was remedied. Five minutes before 7 o'clock Parker entered the boiler room and ordered that the whistles be blown to

start the works.

The rope attached to the whistles was pulled and instantly there was a fear-ful explosion. The big iron smoke stack on the boiler was blown high in the air and fell across the roof of the shop and the tall brick chimnery fell in a thousand pieces, crushing the en-gine room below it. When the smoke and dust cleared away, a scene of ruin and wreck was revealed. Men hurreid from all parts of the town and the work of removing those buried under the ruins was commenced immediately. The piteous cries of the injured who were pinned under the debris urged on the rescuers to more rapid work and in a short time the bodies of four men had been removed and six of the injured had been taken out.

JUST AWAITING THE VERDICT. Trouble in Store for the Taylors Unless

the Jury Says "Guilty." Carrolton, Mo., April 1.—So great is the hostility to the Taylors throughout this section that there was serious dis-cussion among the friends of law and order of the avisability of sending the order of the avisability of sending the two men to the Kansas City full for protection and safe keeping. Morton Jourdan, assistant attorney general of the state, arrived here today and the rumor spread that he had been sent by Governor Stone to learn the state of feeling here and see if it would be advisable to send the state milita to protect the Taylors. Mr. Jordan declared, however, that he had come to visit friends, to watch the local election tomorrow, and to hear the arguments in the Taylor trial. Asked if he thought the Taylors were in danger from a mob Mr. Jordan said: "I think not; because the jury probably will convict on the the jury probably will convict on the evidence. If there is a hung jury there evidence. If there is a hung jury there will doubtless be much bitter feeling. however, and no one can predict the re-sult should there be a verdict of ac-quittal."

When court opened today the lawyers on each side read the instructions of the court to the jury, after which the argu-

Topeka, April 1 .-- The rain yesterday was general in the eastern part of the state, with good showers as far west as Arkansas City, Hutchinson, Junction City and Phillipsburg, Last night the storm shifted from eastern Colorado and is now sweeping down into Kan sas from the northwest. At Goodiand it is now snowing heavily with a strong corthwest wind. The four hards in northwest wind. The fruit buds in the great fruit belt of central and western Kansas are in an advanced condi-tion at Sterling. The weather grew colder last night and this merning rain began failing accompanied by snow. There was no frost. A dis-patch to Atchison says: Four inches of anow fell in western Kansas last night.